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(54) Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING ACETIC ACID

(54) 発明の名称: 酢酸の製造方法

(57) Abstract: A method for producing acetic acid wherein methanol and carbon monoxide is continuously reacted in the presence of a rhodium catalyst, an iodide salt, methyl iodide, methyl acetate and water, to produce acetic acid at a formation rate of 11 mol/L. hr or more, while suppressing an acetaldehyde concentration in a liquid reaction mixture to 500 ppm or less, characterized in that the reaction carried out under the condition wherein the partial pressure of carbon monoxide in the gas phase of the reactor is 1.05 MPa or more or the concentration of methyl acetate in the liquid reaction mixture is 2 weight % or more, to thereby suppress the rate of formation of acetaldehyde to 1/1500 of that of acetic acid or less.

(57) 要約: 酢酸の製造方法は、ロジウム触媒、ヨウ化物塩、ヨウ化メチル、酢酸メチル及び水の存在下、連続的にメタノールと一酸化炭素とを反応させ、反応液中のアセトアルデヒド濃度を500ppm以下に保ちつつ、酢酸を11mol/L・hr以上の生成速度で製造する方法であって、反応器気相部の一酸化炭素分圧が1.05MPa以上の条件、又は反応液中の酢酸メチル濃度が2重量%以上の条件で反応を行い、アセトアルデヒドの生成速度を酢酸の生成速度の1/1500以下に維持することを特徴とする。

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